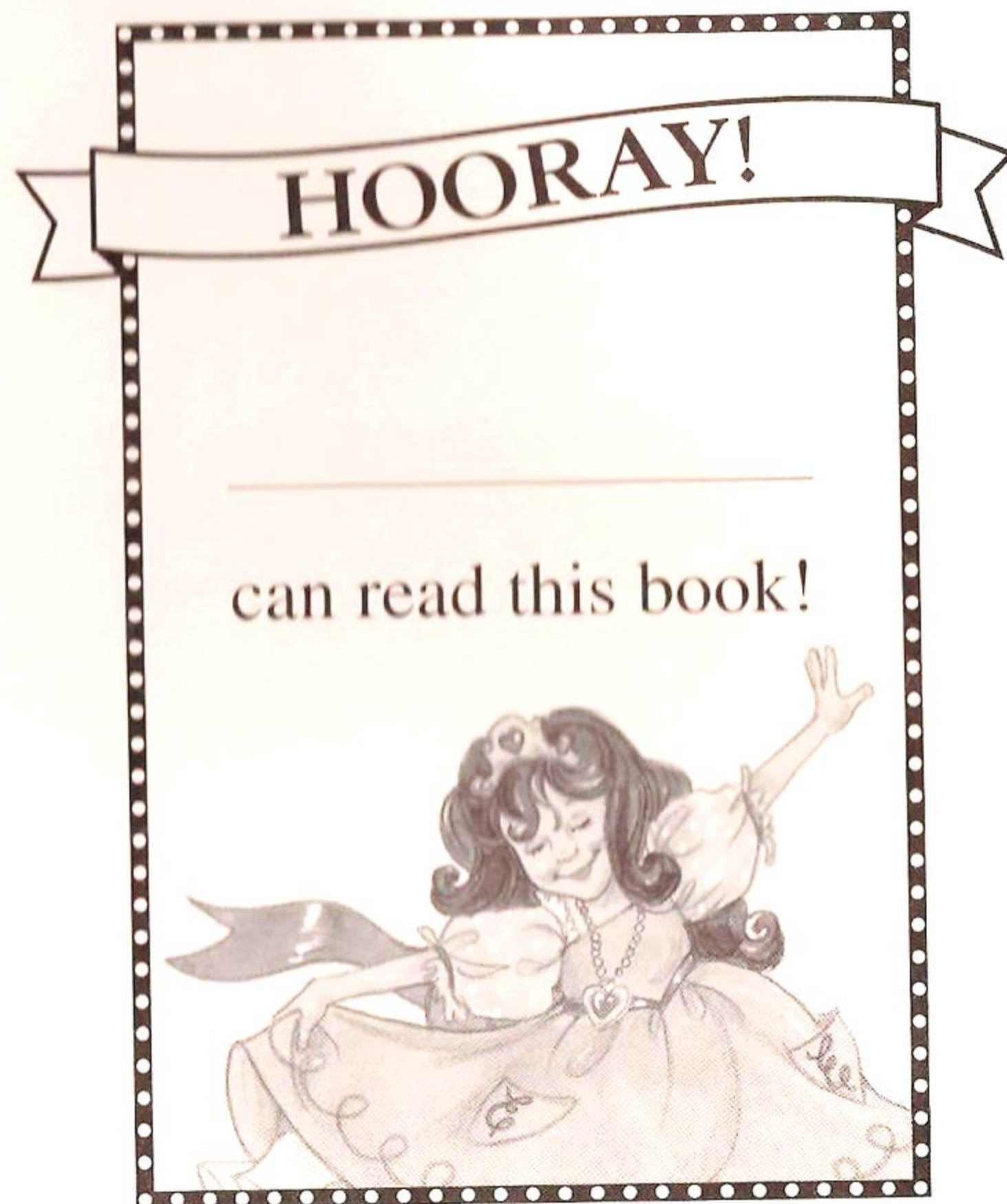


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*To my sisters Cindy, Tammy, and Linda —
my tea party buddies.
~M.H.*



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Princess Emma dressed up.
Today was the Spring Tea.

Emma wanted everything
to be perfect.



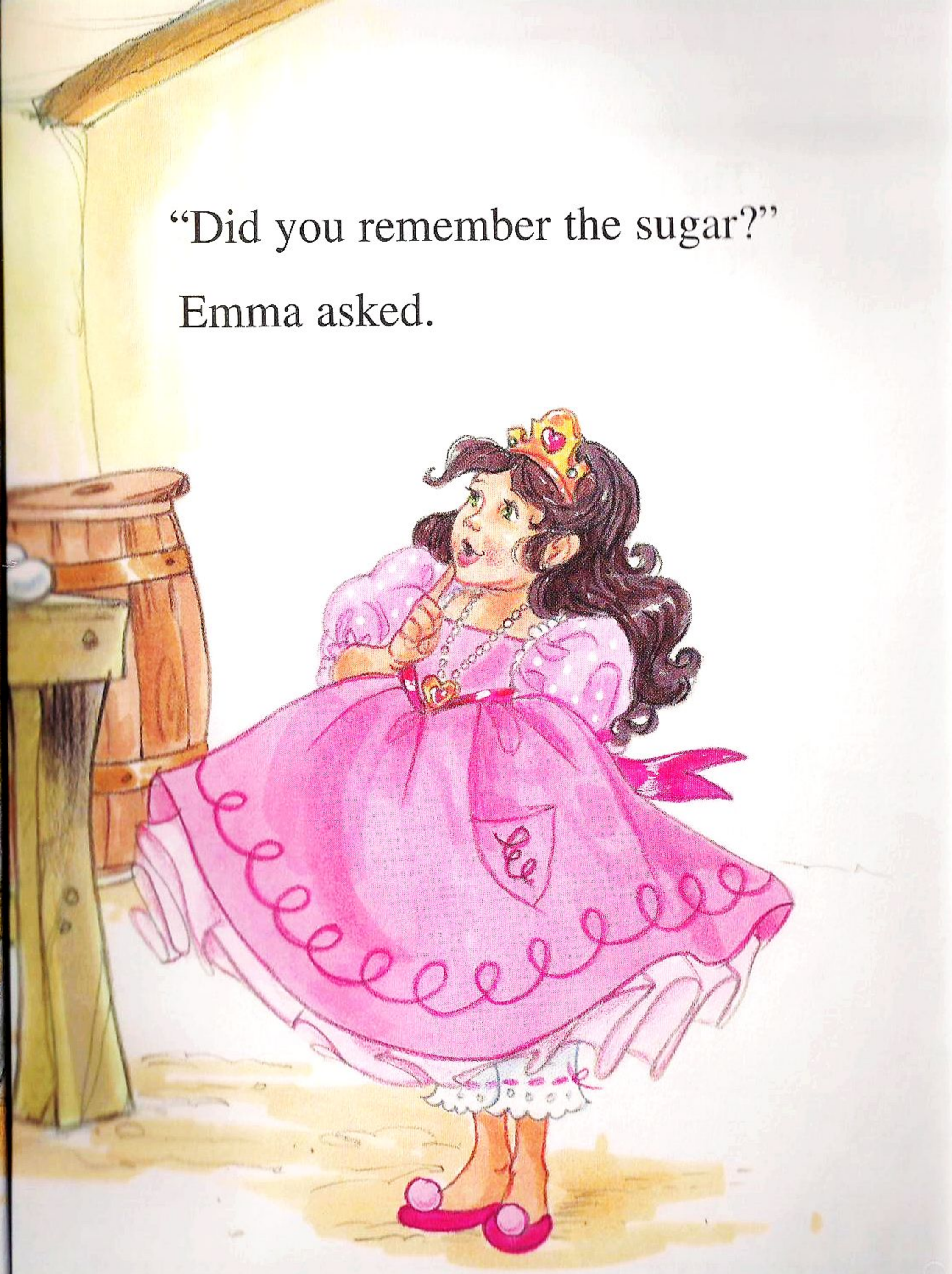
She ran to the castle kitchen.



The cook was making the cakes.

“Did you remember the sugar?”

Emma asked.



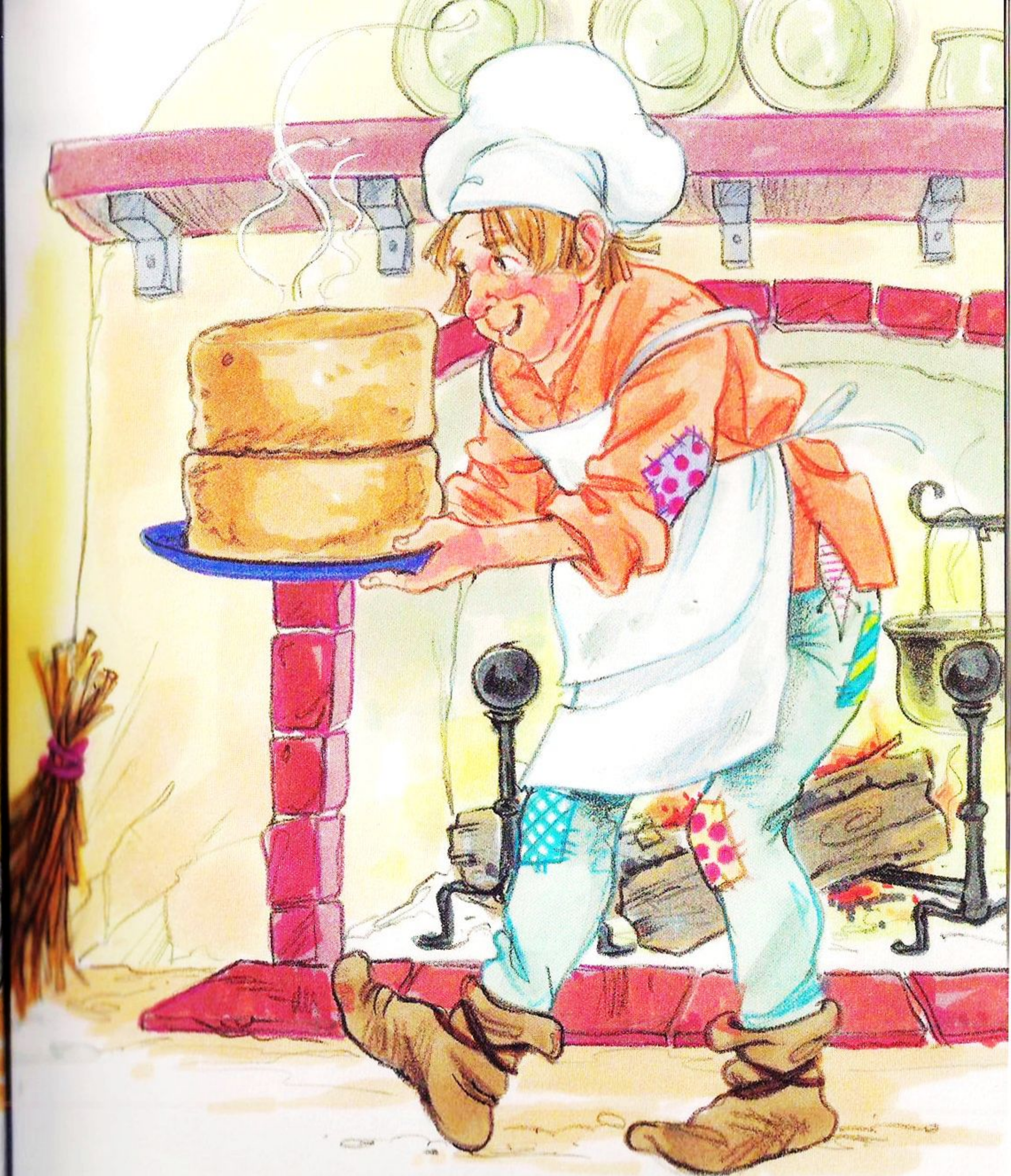
The cook stopped stirring.

“Of course I added the sugar,”
he said.

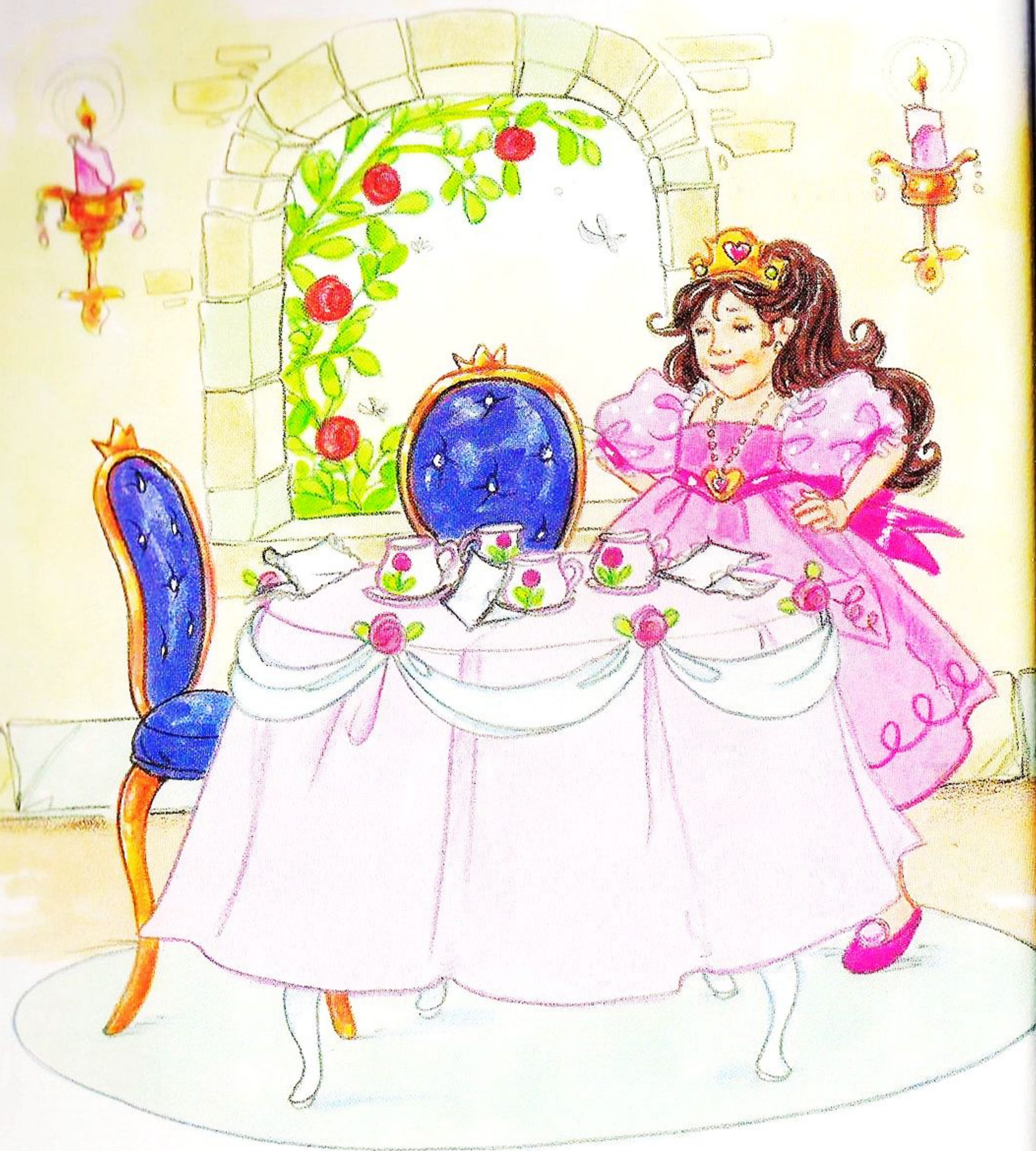




“I just want things to taste right,”
said Emma.



“They will taste good,”
the cook said.



Emma ran to the tea room.
The table looked pretty,
but the napkins didn't look right.

Emma unfolded them.
Then she folded them her way.





Kitty ran into the tea room.
“You don’t belong in here,” said Emma.
“You could ruin the tea party.”



She picked up Kitty
and set him outside.



Emma went back to the tea room.
Where were the name cards?
Where was her sister Abby?

Emma ran to find her sister.
She ran right into Abby.
The name cards flew to the floor.

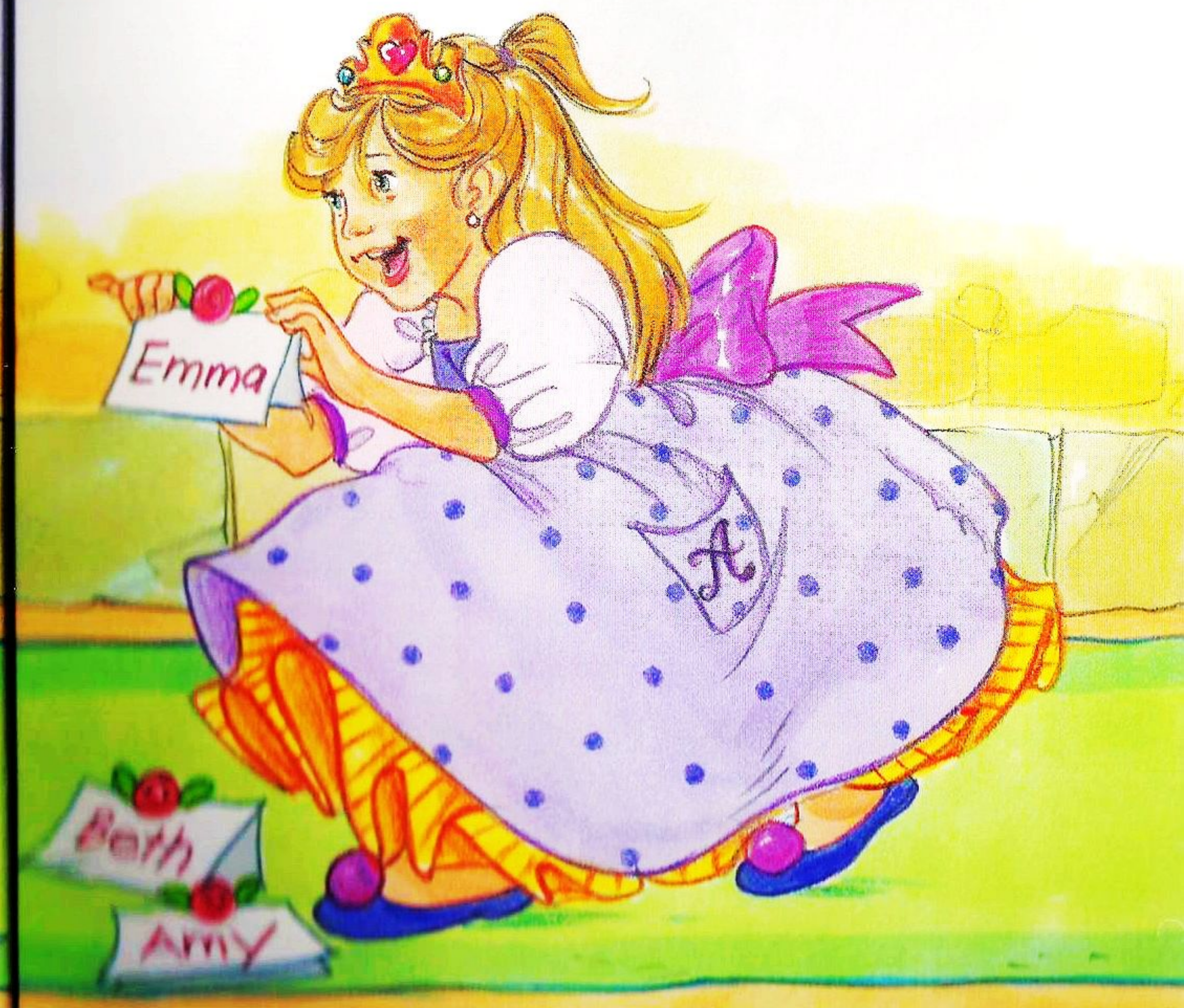


“Now we have to make new cards,”
said Emma.



Abby picked up the cards.

“There’s nothing wrong with these,”
she said.



"I want everything to be perfect,"
said Emma.

"Only God is perfect," Abby said.



She set the name cards by the cups.

"Don't worry.

Just enjoy the party," said Abby.



The castle bell rang.

The princesses ran to the door.





Princess Emma and Princess Abby
took their friends to the tea room.
Everything was perfect.



Then Emma saw Kitty by the table.
She tried to grab Kitty.

Instead Emma stepped on his tail.
Kitty wiggled. Emma wobbled.
Then Emma bumped the table.



The table tumbled to the floor.
Tea splashed in a puddle.



Kitty slurped tea.

“Welcome to Kitty’s perfect party.”

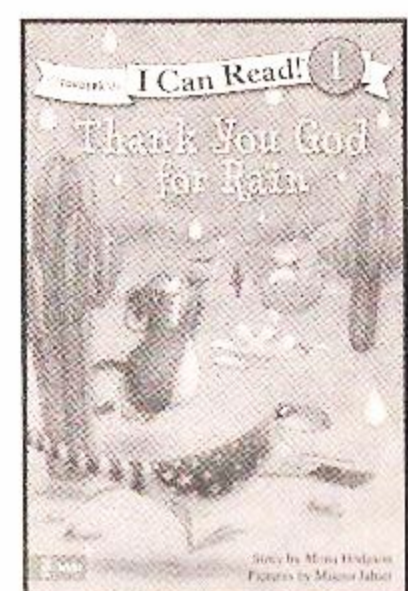
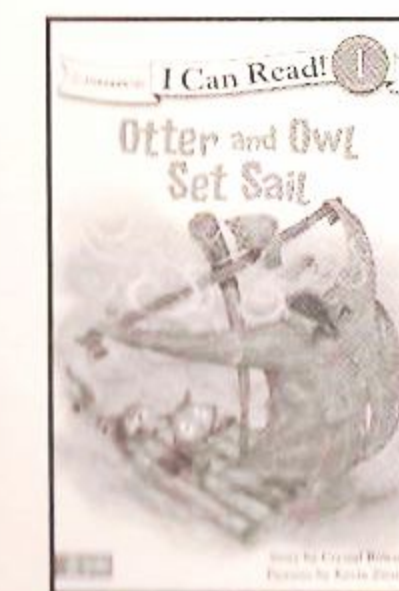
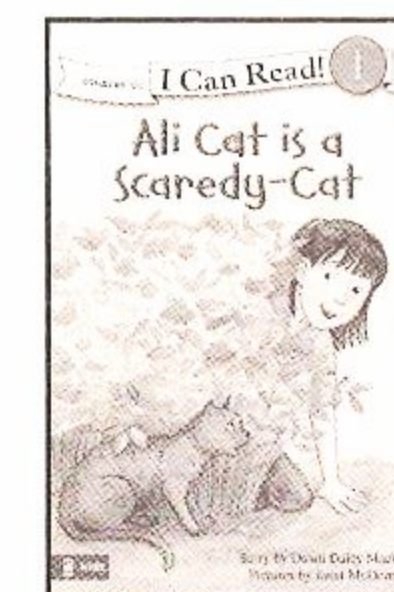
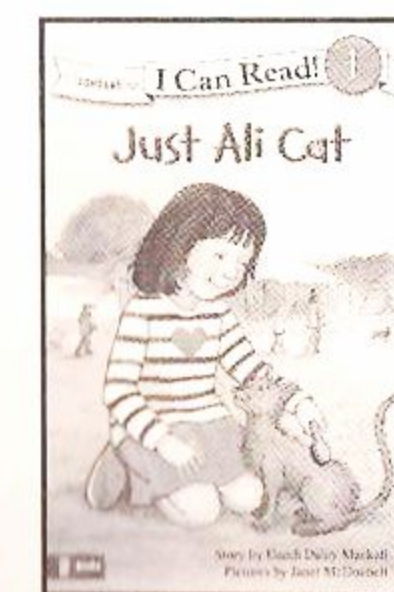
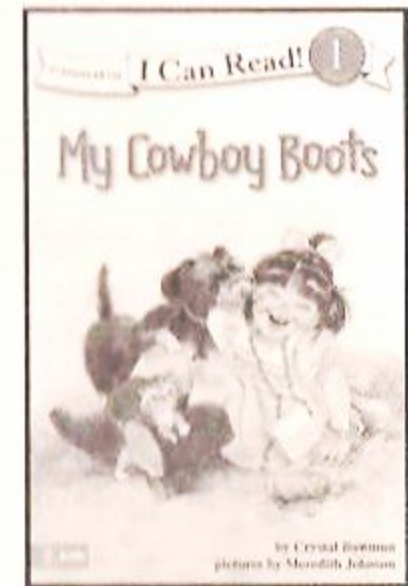
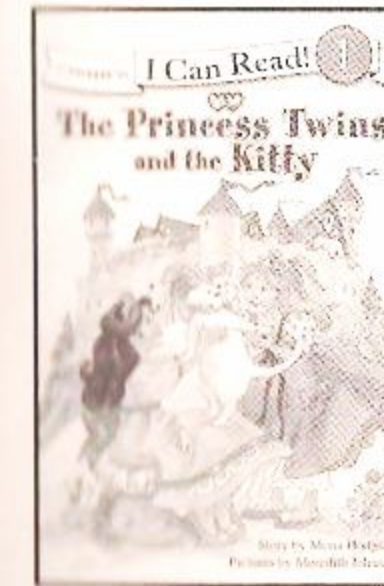


Emma giggled.

The other girls giggled too.



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